## **PRESS NOTE**

Panchkula:- 22nd May, 2016 Sh. Rajeev Sharma, State Election Commissioner, Haryana stated that the polling in all wards of 14 Municipal Councils, 28 Municipal Committees and in a ward no.9 Municipal Corporation, Panipat, ward No.1, Municipal Council, Rewari along with ward No.7, Municipal Committee, Kalanaur was held today. The counting of votes of these institutions started immediately after the poll. In all 790 wards of Municipal Councils and Municipal Committees, 454 wards were reserved for SC, SC (W), BC and women. The counting of election on all wards of the Municipal Councils and Municipal Committees along with bye election of concerned wards was held in a peaceful manner today and no untoward incident was reported from anywhere.

- 2. He further apprised that out of 1730 candidates, 997 male and 733 Females contested the elections for 354 wards of 14 Municipal Councils and 1608 candidates, 861 males and 747 females contested elections on 436 wards of 28 Municipal Committees. Out of total 13,85,966 voters, 10,89,235 had exercised their franchise and till time tentative 79% polling was reported which may increase after receipt of updated data. About 6780 officials and 132 duty magistrates/supervisors were deployed to supervise these elections.
- 4. For bye elections, 10 candidates contested the election for 3 wards of the Corporation/Council/Committee. There were total 25,145 voters. 110 polling personnel were deployed. Amongst 22 polling stations, 5 polling stations were declared sensitive and 01 hyper sensitive.
- 3. Sh.Rajeev Sharma, further told that elaborate arrangements for the conduct of elections in a free, fair, transparent and peaceful manner and to maintain the law and order were made. There was deployment of adequate police force to maintain law and order at the polling stations and sensitive areas for conducting the elections. Out of 1391 polling stations, 261 polling stations were sensitive and 168 hyper-sensitive and sufficient police force had been deployed on these polling stations. The counting of votes in all wards these wards was held in a peaceful manner today and the Returning Officers concerned declared the results. No untoward incident was reported from anywhere. Election Commissioner thanked all the voters and sections of the society, officers/officials of all the departments engaged in the conduct of elections for their co-operation.